Amendment to the Claims:

Claims 1-13 (Canceled)

14. (Currently Amended) A stabilizer combination for halogen-containing thermoplastic resins,

comprising:

a) calcium oxide and/or calcium hydroxide, where these, where appropriate, may have been surface-modified, and have a particle size of not more than 200 μm;

b) at least one tin compound of the general formula (I)

$$\mathbf{R_nSn(X\text{-}R')_{4-n}} \qquad \mathbf{(I)}$$

Where

n is 1 or 2;

each of the groups R, which may be identical or different, is a straight-chain or branched alkyl group having from 1 to 22 carbon atoms;

each of the groups X, which may be identical or different, is -S- or -O-; and

each of the groups R', which may be identical or different, is a straight-chain or branched alkyl group having from 1 to 22 carbon atoms, or a $-[C(O)]_m$-L-C(O)-O-R" group or a $-[C(O)]_m$-L-O-C(O)-R" group, where m is 0 or 1, -L- is a divalent connecting group which is selected from alkylene groups having from 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or a vinylene group, and R" is an alykl group having from 1 to 22 carbon atoms; or

two (X-R') groups may have bonding to one another to form a heterocyclic ring of the formula (I') or (I")

where L is as defined above; and

c) at least one zinc compound ~~selected from liquid and solid zinc salts of saturated, unsaturated, straight-chain, or branched mono- or polyfunctional aromatic or aliphatic carboxylic acids, zinc oxide and zinc hydroxide~~;

with the proviso that no perchlorate is present in the stabilizer combination.

15. (Previously Presented) A stabilizer combination as claimed in claim 14, wherein the amount of component (a) present is from 0.1 to 5 parts by weight.

16. (Previously Presented) A stabilizer combination as claimed in claim 14, wherein component (b) is at least one tin compound of the formula (I), where R is an alkyl group having from 1 to 8 carbon atoms.

17. (Previously Presented) A stabilizer combination as claimed in claim 14, characterized in that component (b) is at least one tin compound of the formula (I), where R' is an alkyl group having from 8 to 18 carbon atoms, or a -$[C(O)]_m$-L-C(O)-O-R" group or a -$[C(O)]_m$-L-O-C(O)-R" group, where -L- is a methylene, ethylene, or vinylene group, and R" is an alkyl group having from 6 to 12 carbon atoms.

18. (Previously Presented) A stabilizer combination as claimed in claim 14, characterized in that component (b) is at least one tin compound of the formula (I), where two (X-R') groups have bonding to one another to form a heterocyclic ring of the formula (I') or (I"), where -L- is an ethylene group or a vinylene group.

19. (Previously Presented) A stabilizer combination according to claim 14, characterized in that the amount of component (b) present is from 0.1 - 3 parts by weight.

20. (Previously Presented) A stabilizer combination according to claim 14, characterized in that component (c) is a zinc salt of a saturated aliphatic carboxylic acid having from 10 to 18 carbon atoms.

21. (Previously Presented) A stabilizer combination as claimed in claim 14, characterized in that the amount of component (c) present is from 0.1 to 3 parts by weight.

22. (Previously Presented) A thermoplastic resin composition, comprising at least one halogen-containing thermoplastic resin and a stabilizer combination according to claim 14.

23. (Previously Presented) A thermoplastic resin composition according to claim 22, characterized in that the halogen-containing thermoplastic resin is polyvinyl chloride.

24-26. (Canceled)

27. (Previously Presented) A method of stabilizing a halogen-containing thermoplastic resin, the method comprising adding a stabilizer combination according to claim 14 to a halogen-containing thermoplastic resin.

28. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 27, wherein the resin comprises polyvinyl chloride (PVC).

29. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 27, wherein the resin comprises rigid PVC (UPVC).

30. (New) The method of claim 14, wherein the zinc compound is selected from the group consisting of a zinc salt having from 10 to 18 carbon atoms, zinc oxide and zinc hydroxide.

31. (New) The method of claim 14, wherein the zinc compound is selected from the group consisting of a zinc salt of a saturated aliphatic carboxylic acid having from 10 to 18 carbon atoms, zinc oxide and zinc hydroxide.